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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 - 7 (Cancelled)

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A method of increasing the-a ratio of light melanin to dark melanin in the skin of a mammal, the method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of (a) a flavanoid, (b) vitamin C and (c) vitamin E wherein at least component (b) is administered systemically and the other components (a) and

(c) are administered topically and wherein the flavanoid comprises a mixture of

proanthocyanidins and anthocyanidins.

Claims 9 - 16 (Canceled)

Claim 17 (Currently amended): The method according to claim 8 wherein the flavanoid

further comprises one or more flavanones.

Claim 18 (New): The method according to claim 8 wherein the flavanoid is an extract of

the bark of the French maritime pine.

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